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SUBJECT: BANGLADESH UNABLE TO PROVIDE AVIATION SUPPORT FOR
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(SBU) Following discussions with the Armed Forces Division (reftel B), Bangladesh Foreign Affairs Adviser Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury July 1 told Ambassador Moriarty the government of Bangladesh would not have available additional aviation assets to support the UN-AU peacekeeping operation in Darfur (UNAMID). Acknowledging the importance of UNAMID's mission, Chowdhury reiterated Bangladesh's earlier offer of Bell Utility helicopters (reftel A), which was declined by UNDPKO as the helicopters did not provide the transport capacity required.
Moriarty